



PNEUMATIKOS

PEOPLE OF THE SPIRIT

WEEK 5: THE MIRACULOUS GIFTS OF 1 CORINTHIANS 12

ICE BREAKER

WORSHIP

PRAYER

SERMON REWIND

In part five of the sermon series on the work of the Holy Spirit, Pastor discusses the miraculous gifts mentioned in **1 Corinthians 12**, focusing on discerning spirits and the gift of tongues. He explains the importance of discerning between demonic, angelic, and human spirits, citing Jesus and Paul's examples of recognizing spiritual influences. The sermon also covers the three types of tongues—private prayer language, public prophetic use requiring interpretation, and worship—emphasizing that love should be the guiding principle for all spiritual gifts. Ultimately, Pastor encourages the congregation to seek a deeper understanding of these gifts while fostering unity and love within the church community.

KEY VERSES

Look up these additional verses:

1 Corinthians 12:7

1 Corinthians 14:1

1 Corinthians 14:18

1 Corinthians 14:26-28

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1** What does it mean to “discern spirits,” and why is this gift particularly important in our lives today?
 - a. Can you think of a time when you had to make a judgment about someone’s intentions? How could discerning spirits have helped in that situation?
- 2** How did Jesus and Paul demonstrate the ability to discern human spirits differently from how we might perceive people today?
 - a. Reflect on your own relationships—do you try to understand the deeper aspects of people, or do you often take what they show on the surface at face value?
- 3** What are the three types of tongues mentioned in the sermon, and how are they different from each other?
 - a. Which type of tongue do you feel is most relevant to your personal prayer life or church experience, and why?
- 4** How does the context of love influence the use of spiritual gifts, especially speaking in tongues, according to the sermon?
 - a. In what ways can you ensure that your actions and gifts, whether in church or daily life, are motivated by love?
- 5** Why is it significant that the sermon included the verses about Jesus knowing what was in man (**John 2:23-25**), and how does it relate to our understanding of discernment?
 - a. How can you develop the ability to understand others more deeply in your own life? What practical steps can you take?

DIVE DEEPER

Personal Reflection: Take a deep breath and read...

1 Corinthians 13:1 (NLT): *“If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn’t love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.”*

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NLT): "A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other."

Personal Reflection:

- What spiritual gifts do you believe God has given you?
- How are you currently using these gifts to serve others and build up the church?
- Are there any gifts you feel called to develop further or seek from the Holy Spirit?
- Reflect on your motivations for using your spiritual gifts. Are they rooted in love and a desire to serve others?
- How do you demonstrate love in your interactions and service within the church and community?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Ask for prayer requests first.

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